Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 07 Jan 2022 until 23:59 on Saturday 08 Jan 2022

Forecast Issued on Friday 07 Jan 2022 at 02:02 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Friday, low for timing of clearance of precipitation on Saturday. High for cold and changeable weather to continue for the next few days.

Headline for Friday 07 Jan 2022: Very cold with snow showers, heavy this morning. Drier conditions developing this afternoon

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 07 Jan 2022

Blizzards
Low Likelihood

Heavy Snow
High Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow showers (night)	Heavy snow showers	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Partly cloudy (night)	Clear night
Precipitation probability					
60%	50%	40%	30%	20%	<05%

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Weather: Frequent and heavy snow showers this morning with a risk of lightning, especially towards the coast. Some sunshine in the afternoon with showers becoming less heavy and less frequent with time. Becoming mainly dry this evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70%

Visibility: Poor in snow with whiteout conditions in heavy showers. Otherwise excellent visibility with great air clarity outside of cloud and showers. Cloud lowering to 650 metres as showers pass by.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	27/32 SW	27/32 SW	20/25 W	21/26 W	21/25 SW	19/23 S	23/29 S
900	19/24 W	18/24 W	15/20 W	14/19 W	12/17 W	12/16 SW	17/23 S
600	21/26 SW	21/26 SW	14/19 SW	15/20 SW	14/18 SW	12/16 S	19/25 S
300	10/12 SW	10/15 SW	7/11 W	8/11 SW	7/10 SW	7/10 S	12/19 SE
Glen	4/12 SW	7/17 W	6/13 W	5/12 W	4/7 SW	3/7 SW	7/14 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	-6/-15	-6/-16	-6/-14	-6/-14	-8/-17	-8/-16	-7/-16
900	-4/-12	-4/-12	-4/-11	-4/-11	-5/-12	-6/-12	-5/-12
600	-1/-9	-2/-9	-2/-8	-2/-8	-3/-9	-3/-9	-2/-8
300	0/-4	0/-5	0/-4	-0/-4	-0/-4	-1/-4	1/-4
Glen	2/-0	2/-1	1/-2	2/-1	1/-1	0/-1	2/-1
Freezing Level*	300m	200m	200m	300m	200m	200m	200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling bitterly cold, snow may blowing around in the wind at height

Forecast for Saturday 08 Jan 2022
Weather: A band of snow will quickly spread east first thing on Saturday morning. Then drier and clearer weather extending east to leave a bright afternoon with occasional snow showers. Feeling very cold in the strong summit winds. Some icy surfaces developing as freezing level rises in the morning.

Maximum wind: Westerly 30 to 40 mph, although southerly 50 to 60 mph at first

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70%

Visibility: Poor in cloud down to 500 metres at first. Cloud then becoming well broken, lowering to 700 metres in showers

Temperature: **Glens:** Zero rising to 3 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 3 rising to 1 Celsius for a time, falling back to minus 1 Celsius
Freezing level: 200 metres, rising to 800 to 1000 metres for a short time around the middle of the day, then falling back to 600 metres

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